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The Communist Party's Port Cell in Guayaquil was once remarded as one of the two largest cells in Ecuador. In the event of war between the United States and the Soviet Union this cell was to sabotage the Port of Guayaquil in order to obstruct its usage by American interests in obtaining raw materials from Equador. According to the Communists, there were 150 members in this cell at one time.

- 2. The Secretary General of the cell is Enrique Mogollon, an unemployed marine machanic in Babahoyo. Mogollon recently admitted that the Port Cell had been greatly neglected by the local Communist Party branch and, as a result, is in a poorly organized state. Meetings of the cell members have not been called for two months and the exact number of members is not presently 'mown.
- 3. When asked if the Port Cell would be able to carry out its wartime mission of sabotage, Mogollon stated that it was not properly or manized at this time nor did it have any plans for such a program.

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